

Map of the Human type IX collagen molecule showing the 3 $\alpha$  chains which constitute the heteropolymer and their collagenous (COL) and non-collagenous (NC) domains.

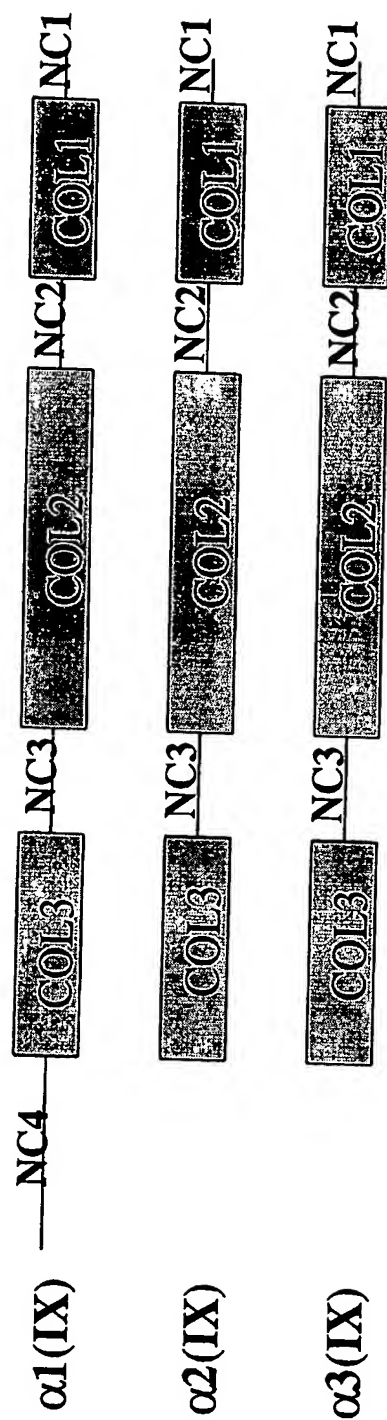
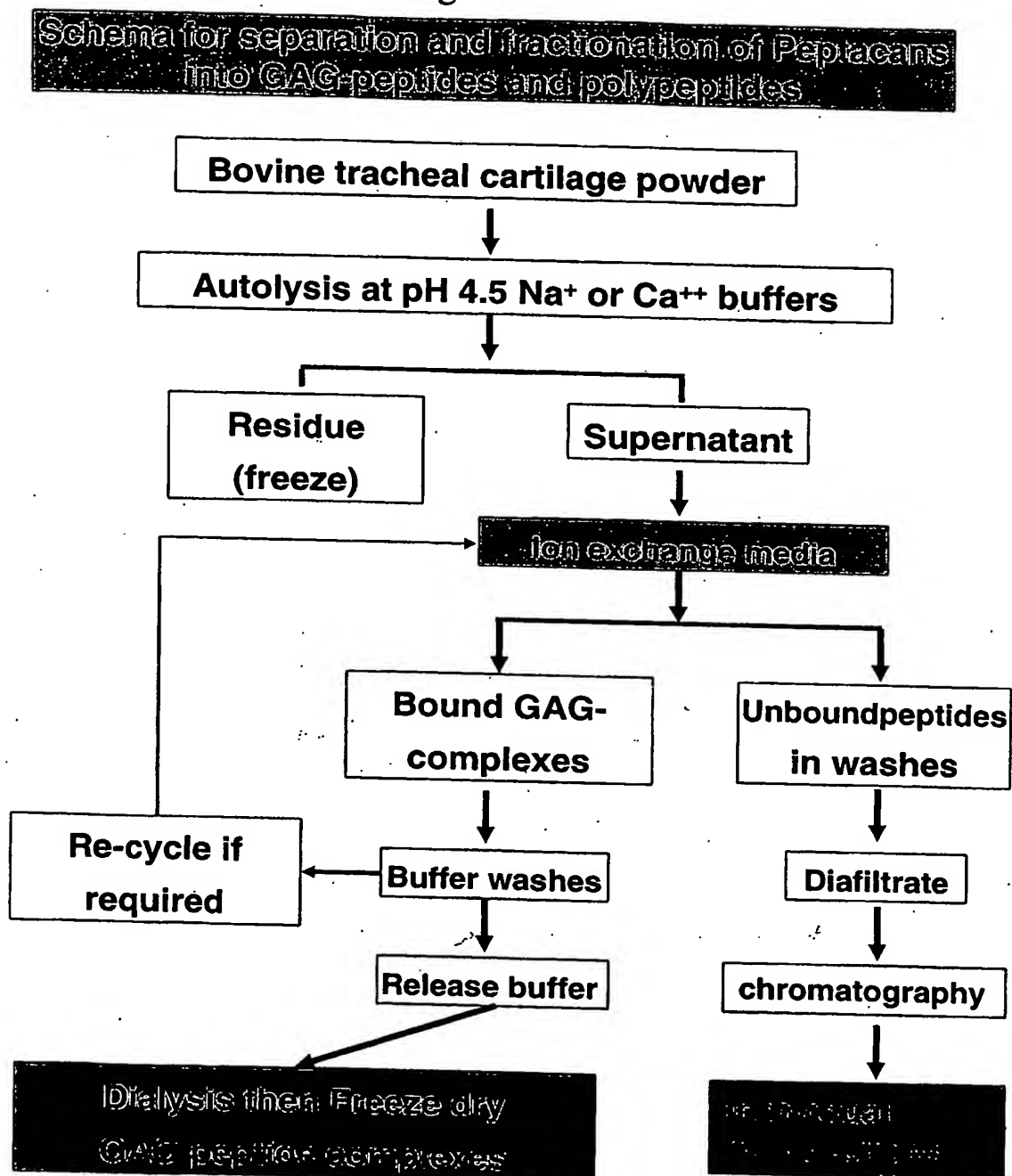


Figure 1

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Figure 2



## Figure 3

SDS-PAGE of Proteins (polypeptides) Isolated from CaP

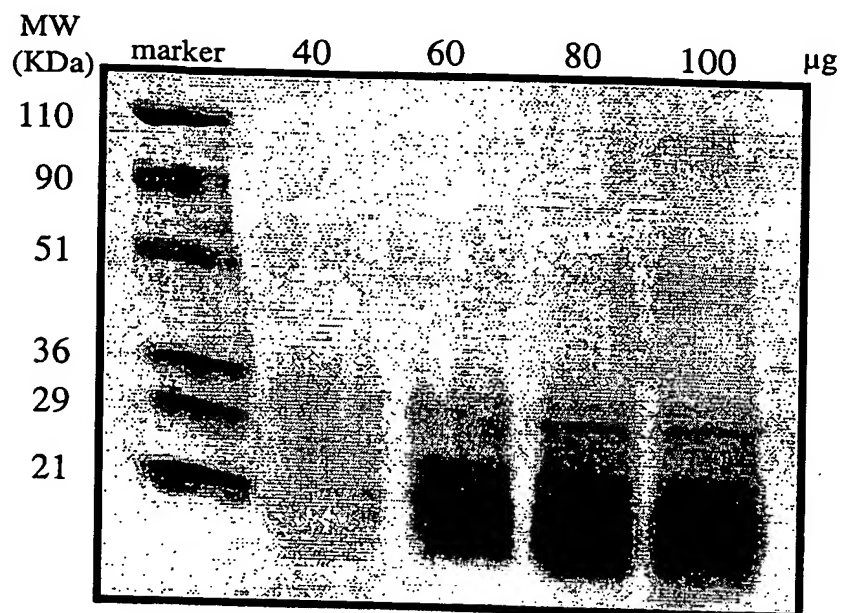
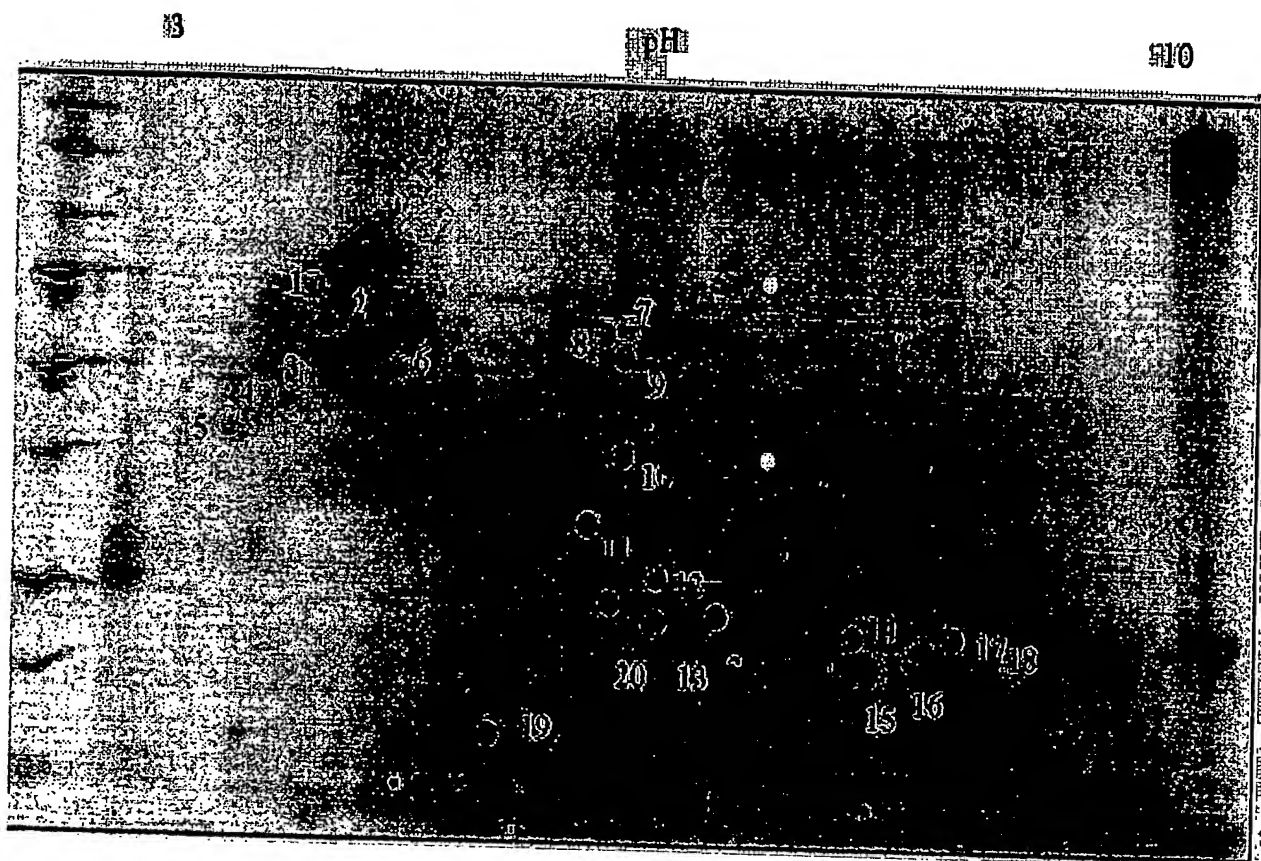


Figure 4



CBT protein sample, pH3-10 gradient. Proteins annotated for MALDI-MS.

**FIGURE 5****1****Tentative****5 NCF1\_BOVIN****Neutrophil cytosol factor 1****Molecular weight: 45346****Matches: 5****MOWSE Score: 1.6076937e+003****10 Likelihood: 1.96e+003****Coverage: 14.80 %****Matching peptides:****MW Delta Start End Sequence****841.4657 -88.56 120 126 (K)VRPDD LK(L)****15 886.4760 -21.99 127 134 (K)LPTDS QVK(K)****886.4508 -50.37 283 291 (K)AGQDV AQAK(S)****\* 1164.5822 0.02 328 336 (R)NSVRF MQQR(R)****1730.7934 -0.01 56 70 (K)EMFPI EAGDI NPENR(I)****1891.9197 23.26 170 188 (K)GSSSQ MALAT GDVVD VVEK(N)****20 OR****Tentative****ALBU\_BOVIN****Bovine Serum Albumin****Molecular weight: 69294****25 Matches: 5****MOWSE Score: 7.6716406e+001****Likelihood: 1.88e+003****Coverage: 8.73 %****Matching peptides:****30 MW Delta Start End Sequence****711.3664 59.75 29 34 (K)SEIAH R(F)****\* 959.5400 -35.02 210 218 (R)EKVLA SSAR(Q)****\* 1000.5818 -23.99 233 241 (R)ALKAW SVAR(L)****1385.6133 -28.71 286 297 (K)YICDN QDTIS SK(L)****35 \* 1961.9404 26.67 139 155 (K)LKPDP NTLCD EFKAD EK(K)****2**

**Tentative**

Score: 0.19, 6 matching peptides: P35445 (COMP\_BOVIN) pI: undefined, Mw: undefined

**Cartilage oligomeric matrix protein (COMP) (Fragment).** - Bos taurus  
5 (Bovine).

user mass matching [Delta] #MC modification position peptide  
mass (ppm) mass

887.4908 887.4404 -56.88 0 Cys\_PAM: 10 8-14 DNCPLVR

1181.5063 1181.4463 -50.84 0 2xCys\_PAM 26-34 WGDACDNCR

10 1226.6927 1226.631 -50.35 1 Cys\_PAM: 69 62-71 IRNPVDNCPK

1337.5306 1337.491 -29.64 0 Cys\_PAM: 53 50-61 GDACDDDDIDGDR

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1370.707 1370.6369 -51.19 0 168-179 LVPNPGQEDMDR

1386.6544 1386.6318 -16.32 0 MSO: 177 168-179 LVPNPGQEDMDR

15 11.4% of sequence covered:

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No Good Match

4

No Good Match

20 5

No Good Match

6

No Good Match

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25 ALBU\_BOVIN

**Bovine Serum Albumin**

**Molecular weight: 69294**

Matches: 11

MOWSE Score: 9.5664269e+006

30 Likelihood: 4.27e+003

Coverage: 17.96 %

Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

926.4862 -137.94 161 167 (K)YLYEI AR(R)

35 1162.6234 -74.58 66 75 (K)LVNEL TEFAK(T)

1282.7033 -96.76 361 371 (R)HPEYA VSVLL R(L)

- 1304.7088 -90.40 402 412 (K)HLVDE PQNLI K(Q)  
\* 1438.8045 -82.02 360 371 (R)RHPEY AVSVL LR(L)  
1478.7881 -92.19 421 433 (K)LGEYG FQNAL IVR(Y)  
1510.8355 -83.71 438 451 (K)VPQVS TPTLV EVSR(S)  
5 1566.7354 -87.40 347 359 (K)DAFLG SFLYE YSR(R)  
\* 1638.9304 -66.09 437 451 (R)KVPQV STPTL VEVSR(S)  
1414.6802 -38.28 569 580 (K)TVMEN FVAFV DK(C)  
+ Methionine Sulfoxide  
1893.9294 -61.74 508 523 (R)RPCFS ALTPD ETYVP K(A)  
10 + Cysteine acrylamide  
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ALBU\_BOVIN  
Bovine Serum Albumin  
15 Molecular weight: 69294  
Matches: 13  
MOWSE Score: 7.6034479e+007  
Likelihood: 1.17e+004  
Coverage: 21.42 %  
20 Matching peptides:  
MW Delta Start End Sequence  
926.4862 -72.22 161 167 (K)YLYEI AR(R)  
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25 1304.7088 -31.77 402 412 (K)HLVDE PQNLI K(Q)  
\* 1438.8045 -39.49 360 371 (R)RHPEY AVSVL LR(L)  
1478.7881 -32.08 421 433 (K)LGEYG FQNAL IVR(Y)  
1510.8355 -19.52 438 451 (K)VPQVS TPTLV EVSR(S)  
1518.7388 -25.79 139 151 (K)LKPDP NTLCD EFK(A)  
30 1566.7354 -34.55 347 359 (K)DAFLG SFLYE YSR(R)  
\* 1638.9304 -19.36 437 451 (R)KVPQV STPTL VEVSR(S)  
\* 988.5488 24.47 221 228 (R)LRCAS IQK(F)  
+ Cysteine acrylamide  
1414.6802 8.58 569 580 (K)TVMEN FVAFV DK(C)  
35 + Methionine Sulfoxide  
1893.9294 -10.63 508 523 (R)RPCFS ALTPD ETYVP K(A)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

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NCF1\_BOVIN

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5 Q95L50

**Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain**

**Molecular weight: 20907**

Matches: 5

MOWSE Score: 3.7725965e+003

10 Likelihood: 5.46e+003

Coverage: 28.34 %

Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

933.4668 -63.69 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)

15 1051.6390 -43.95 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)

2183.0687 42.58 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)

832.4476 -30.07 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

+ Methionine Sulfoxide

1282.5976 -22.54 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)

20 + Cysteine acrylamide

11

ALBU\_BOVIN

**Bovine Serum Albumin**

25 **Molecular weight: 69294**

Matches: 5

MOWSE Score: 1.1175735e+003

Likelihood: 7.26e+002

Coverage: 10.21 %

30 Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

926.4862 -156.39 161 167 (K)YLYEI AR(R)

1282.7033 -36.27 361 371 (R)HPEYA VSVLL R(L)

1566.7354 -84.65 347 359 (K)DAFLG SFLYE YSR(R)

35 \* 1887.9876 -6.32 89 105 (K)SLHTL FGDEL CKVAS LR(E)

1887.9195 -42.39 169 183 (R)HPYFY APELL YYANK(Y)



1790.7021 -70.93 267 280 (K)ECCHG DLLEC ADDR(A)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

+ Cysteine acrylamide

+ Cysteine acrylamide

5 12

ALBU\_BOVIN

**Bovine Serum Albumin**

**Molecular weight: 69294**

Matches: 16

10 MOWSE Score: 3.5119435e+010

Likelihood: 1.04e+004

Coverage: 28.17 %

Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

15 926.4862 -106.87 161 167 (K)YLYEI AR(R)

1282.7033 28.51 361 371 (R)HPEYA VSVLL R(L)

1304.7088 -33.76 402 412 (K)HLVDE PQNLI K(Q)

1478.7881 -58.18 421 433 (K)LGEYG FQNAL IVR(Y)

1510.8355 -34.08 438 451 (K)VPQVS TPTLV EVSR(S)

20 \* 1638.9304 -30.89 437 451 (R)KVPQV STPTL VEVSR(S)

\* 1737.8032 -39.00 387 401 (K)DDPHA CYSTV FDKLK(H)

1120.5223 -76.32 588 597 (K)EACFA VEGPK(L)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

1165.5220 -96.70 499 507 (K)CCTES LVNR(R)

25 + Cysteine acrylamide

+ Cysteine acrylamide

1193.5169 -102.89 460 468 (R)CCTKP ESER(M)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

+ Cysteine acrylamide

30 1414.6802 16.07 569 580 (K)TVMEN FVAFV DK(C)

+ Methionine Sulfoxide

1567.6613 9.82 387 399 (K)DDPHA CYSTV FDK(L)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

1589.7759 24.36 139 151 (K)LKPDP NTLCD EFK(A)

35 + Cysteine acrylamide

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1753.8379 17.95 469 482 (R)MPCTE DYLSL ILNR(L)

+ Methionine Sulfoxide

+ Cysteine acrylamide

5 1893.9294 -3.13 508 523 (R)RPCFS ALTPD ETYVP K(A)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

1920.9291 10.74 529 544 (K)LFTFH ADICT LPDTE K(Q)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

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10 Q95L50

**Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain**

**Molecular weight: 20907**

Matches: 9

MOWSE Score: 1.6928014e+007

15 Likelihood: 1.54e+004

Coverage: 62.03 %

Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

816.4018 -95.42 124 130 (K)SVSFS YK(G)

20 816.4527 -32.98 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

933.4668 -51.91 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)

1051.6390 -49.75 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)

1570.7528 -9.01 99 111 (K)HWSIW QIQDS SGK(E)

2148.0739 -6.99 21 39 (R)IGQDD LPGFD LISQF QIDK(A)

25 2183.0687 -12.48 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)

2618.2765 -0.04 131 154 (K)GLDGS LQTAA FSNLP SLFDS QWHK(I)

832.4476 -3.52 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

+ Methionine Sulfoxide

1282.5976 -44.29 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)

30 + Cysteine acrylamide

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Q95L50

**Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain**

**Molecular weight: 20907**

35 Matches: 9

MOWSE Score: 1.6928014e+00

Likelihood: 8.48e+003

Coverage: 62.03 %

Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

- 5 816.4018 -156.04 124 130 (K)SVSFS YK(G)  
816.4527 -93.60 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)  
933.4668 -138.67 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)  
1051.6390 -126.57 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)  
1570.7528 -78.20 99 111 (K)HWSIW QIQDS SGK(E)  
10 2148.0739 -53.45 21 39 (R)IGQDD LPGFD LISQF QIDK(A)  
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2183.0687 -61.45 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)  
2618.2765 -0.10 131 154 (K)GLDGS LQTAA FSNLP SLFDS QWHK(I)  
832.4476 -105.98 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)  
15 + Methionine Sulfoxide  
1282.5976 -119.59 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)  
+ Cysteine acrylamide

15

Q95L50

20 **Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain**

**Molecular weight: 20907**

Matches: 7

MOWSE Score: 5.0424749e+005

Likelihood: 8.67e+003

25 Coverage: 48.13 %

Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

- 816.4018 103.26 124 130 (K)SVSFS YK(G)  
816.4527 165.71 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)  
30 933.4668 13.11 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)  
1051.6390 5.50 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)  
1570.7528 -0.05 99 111 (K)HWSIW QIQDS SGK(E)  
2183.0687 -17.84 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)  
2618.2765 0.11 131 154 (K)GLDGS LQTAA FSNLP SLFDS QWHK(I)  
35 1282.5976 -29.95 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)  
+ Cysteine acrylamide

16

Q95L50

**Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain****Molecular weight: 20907**

5 Matches: 5

MOWSE Score: 1.6468835e+004

Likelihood: 8.25e+003

Coverage: 34.76 %

Matching peptides:

10 MW Delta Start End Sequence

933.4668 35.82 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)

1051.6390 30.60 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)

2148.0739 0.08 21 39 (R)IGQDD LPGFD LISQF QIDK(A)

2183.0687 -1.95 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)

15 1282.5976 -7.80 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

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Q95L50

20 **Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain****Molecular weight: 20907**

Matches: 8

MOWSE Score: 9.0085540e+005

Likelihood: 5.86e+003

25 Coverage: 49.20 %

Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

816.4018 -137.06 124 130 (K)SVSFS YK(G)

816.4527 -74.62 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

30 933.4668 -125.07 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)

1051.6390 -117.92 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)

1570.7528 -50.26 99 111 (K)HWSIW QIQDS SGK(E)

2148.0739 -4.71 21 39 (R)IGQDD LPGFD LISQF QIDK(A)

2183.0687 -24.99 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)

35 832.4476 -86.04 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

+ Methionine Sulfoxide

1282.5976 -97.22 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)  
+ Cysteine acrylamide

18

Q95L50

5 **Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain**

**Molecular weight: 20907**

Matches: 5

MOWSE Score: 1.6468835e+004

Likelihood: 2.56e+003

10 Coverage: 34.76 %

Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

933.4668 -122.28 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)

1051.6390 -107.17 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)

15 2148.0739 0.02 21 39 (R)IGQDD LPGFD LISQF QIDK(A)

2183.0687 -6.21 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)

1282.5976 -90.21 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

19

20 **OBP\_BOVIN**

**Odorant-binding protein**

**Molecular weight: 18503**

Matches: 7

MOWSE Score: 4.8550116e+005

25 Likelihood: 2.71e+004

Coverage: 50.94 %

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Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

30 959.4825 -4.49 30 37 (K)IQENG PFR(T)

993.4655 32.50 42 49 (R)ELVFD DEK(G)

1161.5706 1.66 50 59 (K)GTVDF YFSVK(R)

1207.6085 18.62 19 29 (R)TVYIG STNPE K(I)

1359.7259 -11.18 97 108 (R)THLVA HNINV DK(H)

35 1788.8067 1.86 145 159 (K)NVVNF LENED HPHPE(-)

1947.8486 2.44 74 90 (K)QDDGT YVADY EGQNV FK(I)

20

Q95L50

**Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain****Molecular weight: 20907**

5 Matches: 8

MOWSE Score: 9.0085540e+005

Likelihood: 6.84e+003

Coverage: 49.20 %

Matching peptides:

10 MW Delta Start End Sequence

816.4018 -121.38 124 130 (K)SVSFS YK(G)

816.4527 -58.95 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

933.4668 -106.00 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)

1051.6390 -108.98 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)

15 1570.7528 -54.97 99 111 (K)HWSIW QIQDS SGK(E)

2148.0739 -18.35 21 39 (R)IGQDD LPGFD LISQF QIDK(A)

2183.0687 -25.77 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)

832.4476 -81.84 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

+ Methionine Sulfoxide

20 1282.5976 -93.79 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

21

Q95L50

**Type IX collagen alpha 1 chain**25 **Molecular weight: 20907**

Matches: 8

MOWSE Score: 9.0085540e+005

Likelihood: 6.26e+003

Coverage: 49.20 %

30 Matching peptides:

MW Delta Start End Sequence

816.4018 -133.87 124 130 (K)SVSFS YK(G)

816.4527 -71.44 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

933.4668 -113.93 61 68 (K)LGNNV DFR(I)

35 1051.6390 -115.35 173 181 (R)IESLP IKPR(G)

1570.7528 -60.83 99 111 (K)HWSIW QIQDS SGK(E)

2148.0739 -9.04 21 39 (R)IGQDD LPGFD LISQF QIDK(A)

2183.0687 -23.66 73 90 (R)HLYPN GLPEE YSFLT TFR(M)

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832.4476 -68.62 155 161 (K)IMIGV ER(S)

5 + Methionine Sulfoxide

1282.5976 -93.25 162 172 (R)SSATL FVDCN R(I)

+ Cysteine acrylamide

**FIGURE 6**

**Physical Characteristics of Protein fragments found in Calcium Peptacan after ion-exchange treatment and 2D electrophoresis.**

Fragment ID#	Estimated isoelectric point	Estimated Molecular Weight
1	4.0	74kDa
2	4.1	65kDa
3	3.9	50kDa
(this band has now been shown to correspond to fragments from 2 or 3 proteins identified as bovine COMP and either bovine alpha-1 antiprotease inhibitor or Endopin-1)		
4	3.7	45kDa
5	3.4	40kDa
6	4.6	50kDa
7	6.3	67kDa
8	6.1	65kDa
9	6.3	60kDa
10	6.3	38kDa
11	6.0	30kDa
12	6.4	25kDa
13	6.8	22kDa
14	7.8	20kDa
15	8.2	18kDa
16	8.3	19kDa
17	8.6	20kDa
18	9.1	19kDa
19	5.3	12kDa
20	6.2	22kDa
21	7.2	21kDa



**(i) Cartilage oligomeric matrix protein [Fragment] - bovine**

10	20	30	40	50	60
DGVLNEKDNC	PLVRNPDQRN	TDGDKWGDAC	DNCRSQKNDD	QKDTDKDGRG	DACDDIDGD
70	80	90	100	110	120
RIRNPFVDNCP	KVPNSDQKDT	DGDGVGDACD	NCPQKSNADQ	RDVDHDFVGD	ACDSDQDQDG
130	140	150	160	170	180
DGHQDSKDNC	PTVPNSAQD	SDHDGQGDAC	DDDDNDNGVP	DSRDNCRLVP	NPGQEDMDRD
190	200	210	220	230	240
GVGDACQGDF	DADKVVDKID	VCPENAEVTL	TDFAFQTVV	LDPEGDAQID	PNWVVLNQGM
250	260	270	280	290	300
EIVQTMNSDP	GLCVGYTAFN	GVDFEGPFHV	NTATDDDYAG	FIFGYHHSSS	FYVVMWKQME
310	320	330	340	350	360
QTYWQANPFR	AVAEPGIQLK	AVKSSTGPGE	QLRNALWHTG	DTASQVRLW	KDPRNVGWKD
370	380	390	400	410	420
KTSYRWFLQH	RPQVGYIRVR	FYEGPELVAD	SNVILDTMR	GGRLGVFCFS	QENIIWANLR
430					
YRCNDTIPED	YEAQRLQA				

**(ii) Odorant-binding protein - bovine**

10	20	30	40	50	60
AQEEEEAEQNL	SELSPWRTV	YIGSTNPEKI	QENGPFRTYF	RELVEFDEKG	TVDFYFSVKR
70	80	90	100	110	120
DGKWKNVHVK	ATKQDDGTYV	ADYEGQNVFK	IVSLSRTHLV	AHNINVDKHG	QTTELTELFV
130	140	150			
KLNVEDEDL	KFWKLTEK	IDKKNVVNFL	ENEDHPHPE		

**Figure 7**

Shows the partial amino acid sequence of the bovine NC4 domain of type IX collagen alpha 1 chain sequence obtained from the ExPASy TrEMBL database on which the peptide sequences obtained from the MALD-MS peptide mass fingerprinting of gel spot 13 (Figure 4) has been superimposed as bolded type where they are identical.

10	20	30	40	50	60
PRFPVNSNSN	GENELCPKVR	<b>IGQDDLPGFD</b>	<b>LISQFQIDKA</b>	ASRRAIQRVV	GSTALQVAYK
70	80	90	100	110	120
<b>LGNNVDFR</b>	IP	<b>TRHLYPNGLP</b>	<b>EEYSFLTTFR</b>	MTGSTLEKHW	<b>SIWQIQDSSG</b>
					<b>KEQVGVKING</b>
130	140	150	160	170	180
QTKSVSFSYK	<b>GLDGS</b>	<b>LQTAA</b>	<b>FSNLPSLFDS</b>	<b>QWHKIMIGVE</b>	<b>RSSATLEFVDC</b>
					<b>NRIESLPIKP</b>

**RGQIDVD**

**Figure 9:**

Shows the amino acid sequence of the NC4 domain of the type IX collagen alpha 1 chain from 17 day old chick embryos sterna as reported by Vasios et al. (J Biological Chem. 263, 2324-2329, 1998) on which the amino acid sequences identified from the MALDI-MS analysis of the polypeptides separated by 2D electrophoresis have been superimposed indicating where the sequences are identical as bold type and underlined.

PRO-ARG-PHE-PRO-VAL-ASN-SER-ASN-SER-ASN / GLY-GLU-ASN-GLU-  
LEU-CYS-PRO-LYS-VAL-ARG / ILE-GLY-GLN-ASP-ASP-LEU-PRO-GLY-  
PHE-ASP / LEU-ILE-SER-GLN-PHE-GLN-ILE-ASP-LYS-ALA / ALA-SER-  
 ARG-ARG-ALA-ILE-GLN-ARG-VAL-VAL / GLY-SER-THR-ALA-LEU-GLN-  
 VAL-ALA-TRY-LYS / LEU-GLY-ASN-ASN-VAL-ASP-PHE-ARG / THR-ARG-  
 HIS-LEU-TYR-PRO-ASN-GLY-LEU-PRO / GLU-GLU-TYR-SER-PHE-LEU-  
THR-THR-PHE-ARG / MET-THR-GLY-SER-THR-LEU-GLY-LYS-HIS-TRP /  
 SER-ILE-TRP-GLN-ILE-GLN-ASP-SER-SER-GLY / LYS-GLU-GLN-VAL-  
GLY-VAL-LYS-ILE-ASN-GLY / GLN-THR-LYS-SER-VAL-SER-PHE-SER-  
 TRY-LYS / GLY-LEU-ASP-GLY-SER-LEU-GLN-THR-ALA-ALA / PHE-SER-  
 ASN-LEU-PRO-SER-LEU-PHE-ASP-SER / GLN-TRP-HIS-LYS-ILE-MET-  
ILE-GLY-VAL-GLU / ARG-SER-SER-ALA-THR-LEU-PHE-VAL-ASP-CYS /  
 ASN-ARG-ILE-GLU-SER-LEU-PRO-ILE-LYS-PRO

Figure 10:

Shows the human NC4 domain of the type IX collagen alpha 1 chain (sequences 24-268) obtained from the Swiss-Prot & TrEMBL data-bases (released 07-June-2004) on which the amino acid sequences identified from the MALDI-MS analysis of the polypeptides separated by 2D electrophoresis have been superimposed showing where the sequences are identical as bold type and underlined. Sequence 1-23 is the signal sequence for the human NC4 domain of the type IX collagen alpha 1 chain.

1 Met Lys Thr Cys Trp Lys Ile Pro Val Phe Phe Phe Val  
 Cys Ser **16** Phe Leu Glu Pro Trp Ala Ser Ala **23** Ala Val  
 Lys Arg Arg **Pro Arg 31** Phe Pro Val **Asn Ser Asn Ser Asn**  
**Gly** Gly **Asn Glu Leu Cys Pro 46 Lys** Ile **Arg Ile Gly Gln**  
**Asp Asp Leu Pro Gly Phe Asp Leu Ile 61 Ser Gln Phe Gln**  
 Val **Asp Lys Ala Ala Ser Arg Arg Ala Ile Gln 76 Arg Val**  
 Val **Gly Ser** Ala Thr **Leu Gln Val Ala Tyr Lys Leu Gly 91**  
**Asn Asn Val Asp Phe Arg** Ile Pro Thr Arg Asn Leu Tyr Pro  
 Ser **106 Gly Leu Pro Glu Glu Tyr Ser Phe Leu Thr Thr Phe**  
**Arg Met Thr 121 Gly Ser Thr Leu** Lys **Lys** Asn **Trp** Asn **Ile**  
**Trp Gln Ile Gln Asp 136 Ser Ser Gly Lys Glu Gln Val Gly**  
**Ile Lys Ile Asn Gly Gln Thr 151 Gln Ser Val** Val **Phe Ser**  
**Tyr Lys Gly Leu Asp Gly Ser Leu Gln 166 Thr Ala Ala Phe**  
**Ser Asn Leu Ser Ser Leu Phe Asp Ser Gln Trp 181 His Lys**  
**Ile Met Ile Gly Val Glu Arg Ser Ser Ala Thr Leu Phe 196**  
**Val Asp Cys Asn Arg Ile Glu Ser Leu Pro Ile Lys Pro** Arg  
 Gly **211** Pro Ile Asp Ile Asp Gly Phe Ala Val Leu Gly Lys  
 Leu Ala Asp **226** Asn Pro Gln Val Ser Val Pro Phe Glu Leu  
 Gln Trp Met Leu Ile **241** His Cys Asp Pro Leu Arg Pro Arg  
 Arg Glu Thr Cys His Glu Leu **256** Pro Ala Arg Ile Thr Pro  
 Ser Gln Thr Thr Asp Glu Arg **268**

**Figure 11**  
**Protocols used to evaluate polypeptides (PPs) and**  
**drugs in the rat CIA model**

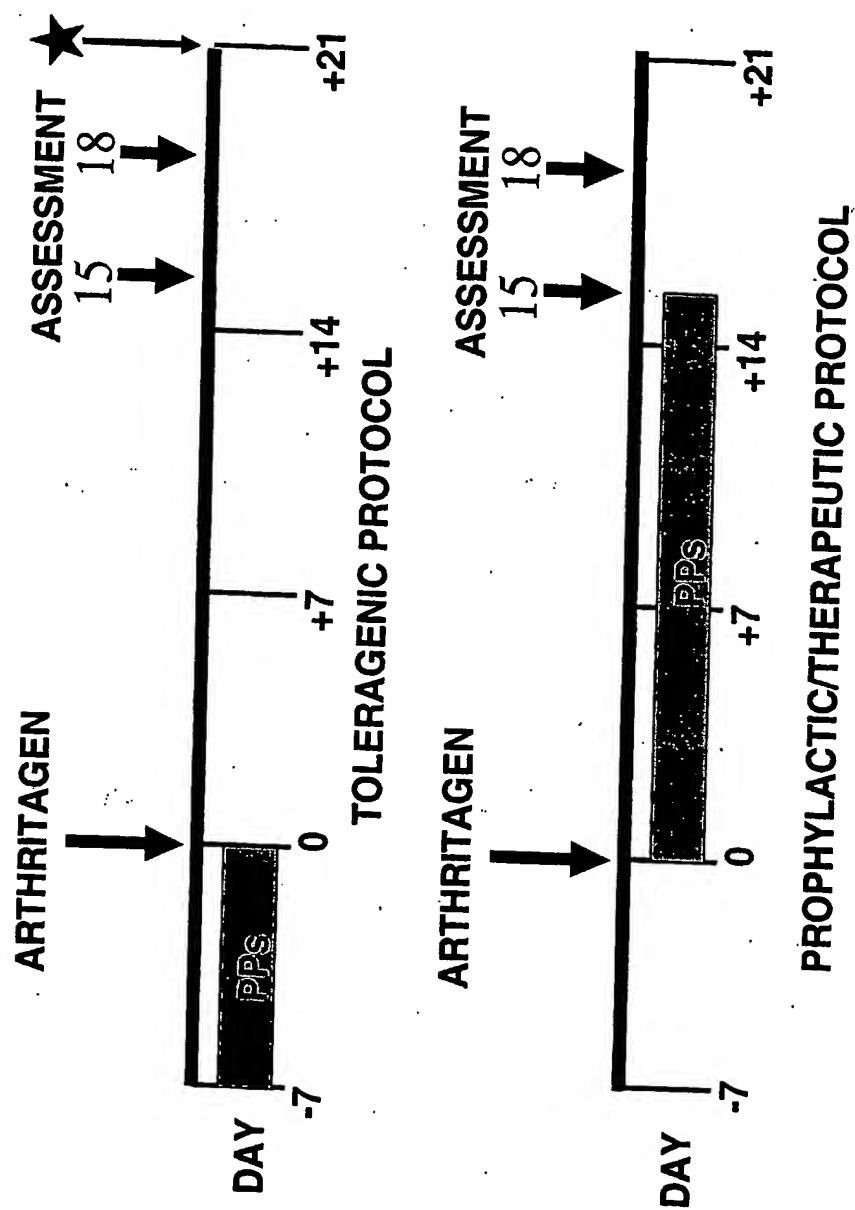


Figure 12

Results demonstrating anti-arthritic activity of the polypeptides INR-195 and INR-126 relative to ATM in the Rat CIA model using the Prophylactic/Therapeutic protocol(15 days treatment)

Rx	Dose mg/kg	Mean arthritis scores			Signs of arthritis Day 15			Signs of arthritis Day 18		
		Day 13	Day 15	Day 18	R/paw swell (mm)	F/paw swell (mm)	Weight change (grams)	R/paw swell (mm)	F/paw swell (mm)	Weight change (grams)
None	—	0.7	1.5	1.8	0.7	2.1	+40	0.8	2.0	-04
INR-126	20 (oral)	0.2**	0.8*	1.3	0.4	1.3*	+47	0.7	2.0	+06
INR-126	200 (oral)	0.2**	0.5*	1.7	0.1	0.1**	+58	0.8	2.3	+04
INR-195	20 (oral)	0.2*	0.7*	1.8	0.2	0.1**	+45	0.7	2.0	+09
ATM	6.3 (SC)	0.8	2.1	2.1	0.7	2.5	+47	0.8	3.2	+04

ATM = Aurothiomalate, SC = subcutaneously, \*\* =  $p < 0.005$  \* =  $p < 0.05$  relative to none

## Figure 13

Results demonstrating the anti-arthritic activity of the polypeptides INR-195 and INR-126 in the Rat CIA model using the toleragenic protocol where preparations are given for 7 days before inducing arthritis

Rx n=4	Dose mg/kg	Mean arthritis scores				Signs of arthritis Day 15			Signs of arthritis Day 18		
		Day 13	Day 15	Day 18		R/paw swell (mm)	F/paw swell (mm)	Weight change (grams)	R/paw swell (mm)	F/paw swell (mm)	Weight change (grams)
None	—	0.7	1.3	1.5		0.8	2.8	+58	0.8	2.5	-01
INR-126	20 (oral)	0.1**	0.6*	0.5**		0.2*	1.4*	+50	0.06**	1.1*	+09
INR-195	20 (oral)	0.6	0.5*	1.5		0.1*	0.1*	+44	0.6	1.5	+05

\*\* = p < 0.005 \* = p < 0.05 relative to no treatment group

FIGURE 14

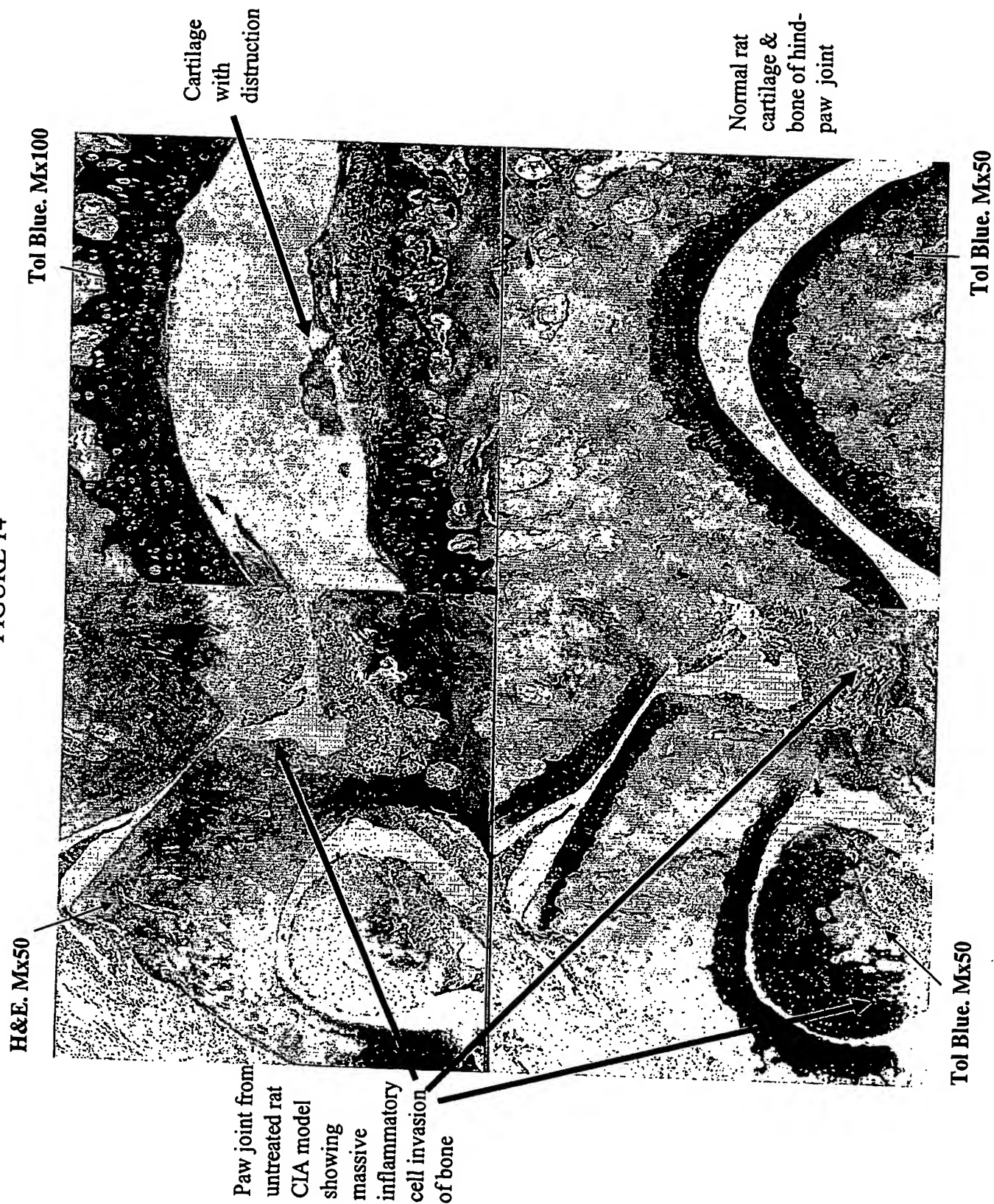
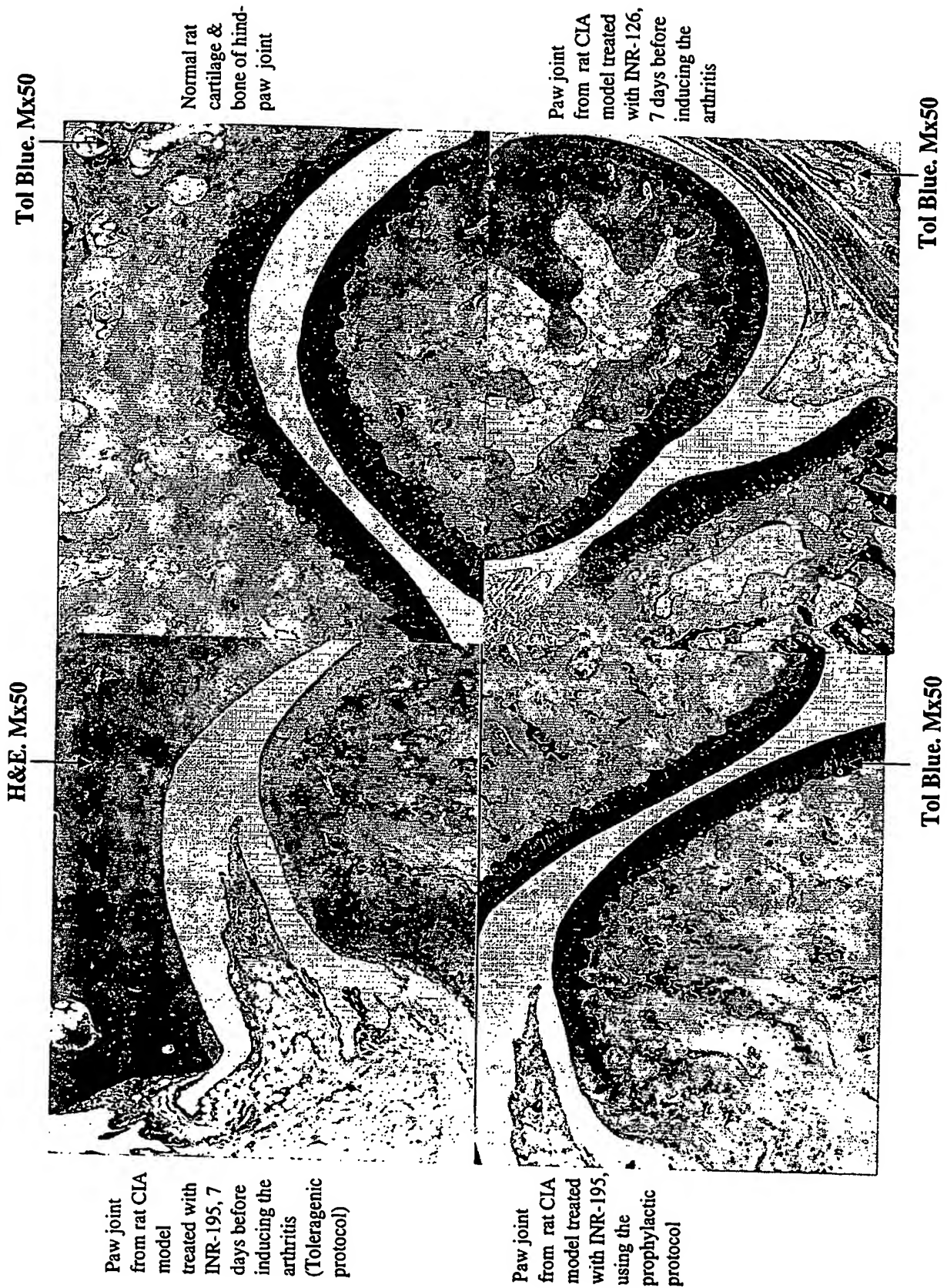




FIGURE 15



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